

Targeted Assistance - DESE Fund Code 325

Allocation Amount: \$125,000

Duration: upon approval to 8/31/21

The purpose of this targeted grant program is to provide funding to the state's lowest performing schools and districts to support the development and implementation of Sustainable Improvement Plans (formerly Turnaround Plans).

Funding earmarked for stipends, substitutes and consultants to support professional development opportunities.

Early College Support - DESE Fund Code 460

Allocation Amount: \$29,000

Duration: upon approval to 6/30/21

The purpose of this targeted grant is to provide financial resources to school districts with Early College programs designated since 2018 in order to support and sustain their Early College programs. The resources are intended to support the secondary school partner while the institution of higher education (IHE) partner will receive support through Department of Higher Education.

Funding earmarked for stipends, consultants, supplies and advertising to support the EC Program at Lowell High School.

MassGrad Promising Practices - DESE Fund Code 320

Allocation Amount: \$19,890

Duration: upon approval to 8/31/21

The purpose of this federally funded targeted grant opportunity is to provide supplementary support to school districts with high concentrations of students at-risk for not graduating from high school. These students may: be expectant or parenting teens, have drug or alcohol addictions, have current or previous contact with the courts or juvenile justice system, be at least one year behind expected grade level for the age of the individual, have limited English proficiency, be a gang member, be a former dropout, have high or chronic absenteeism, and/or any other factors that would place students at-risk for not graduating.

Funding earmarked for teacher stipends, a contracted Pathways Coach and Pathways Mentor(s) to support dropout prevention/credit recovery program at the Career Academy.

School Redesign - DESE Fund Code 539

Allocation Amount: \$312,333

Duration: upon approval to 8/31/21

The purpose of this grant program is to provide funding for Local Education Agencies (LEAs) to implement Sustainable Improvement Plans in their low performing schools.

Funding earmarked for the Robinson School - converting a position from interventionist to AP; hiring a PIQE Liaison; stipends and consultants to support professional development opportunities; PD materials and intervention software/licenses and student transportation for team building experience.

Teacher Diversification Pilot Program - DESE Fund Code 319**Allocation Amount:** \$76,000**Duration:** upon approval to 8/31/21

The competitive Teacher Diversification Pilot Program is designed to support local school district efforts to strengthen and diversify existing teacher recruitment and retention programs. With state and federal funds, participating pilot school districts will engage in thoughtful, high-impact approaches intended to increase the number of effective and diverse teachers in their schools.

Funding earmarked for stipends, consultants, supplies and course reimbursement.

Early College Promise Planning Phase Grant - Susan Smith Family Foundation**Allocation Amount:** \$40,000**Duration:** 10/7/20 to 5/30/21

The purpose of this grant is to enable Lowell High Schools full participation in a robust multi-monthly planning phase through which they will assess the feasibility of implementing an Early College Promise Program.

Funding allocated for staff stipends and a consultant.

PLTW Launch Program - Project Lead The Way, Inc.**Allocation Amount:** \$2,000**Duration:** 7/1/20 to 6/30/21

S. Christa McAuliffe Elementary School received this award to offset the costs associated with the PLTW Launch Program. "PLTW Launch's 43 interdisciplinary modules bring learning to life. The program empowers students to adopt a design-thinking mindset through compelling activities, projects, and problems that build upon each other and relate to the world around them. And as students engage in hands-on activities in computer science, engineering, and biomedical science, they become creative, collaborative problem solvers ready to take on any challenge."

Funding allocated for instructional materials and staff transportation reimbursement.